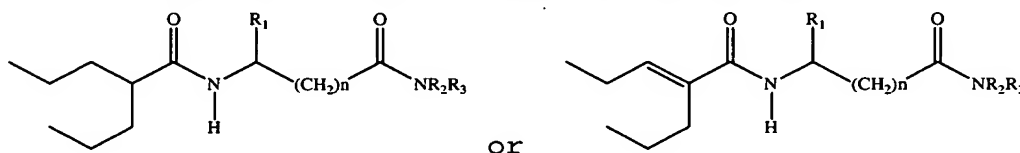


**SUSTAINED RELEASE FORMULATION OF N-(2-  
PROPYLPENTANOYL)GLYCINAMIDE AND RELATED COMPOUNDS**

**Abstract of Invention**

The subject provides a sustained release tablet comprising the following components: a) a uniform admixture of an active ingredient selected from the group consisting of valproic sodium acid, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or ester of valproic acid, divalproex sodium, valpromide and a compound having the structure:



wherein  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_3$  are independently the same or different and are hydrogen, a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl group, an aralkyl group, or an aryl group, and  $n$  is an integer which is greater than or equal to 0 and less than or equal to 3; and a binder, and b) a hydroxypropylmethyl cellulose, a process for manufacturing the tablet and a method of treating neuropathic pain, epilepsy, mania in bipolar disorder, a headache disorder, pain or of effecting pain prophylaxis in a subject.